

II. Amendments to the Claims

Please amend claims 10, 16, 37, 40-41 and 44-46; cancel claims 54-61 of the above-identified patent application and add new claims 62-84 as follows:

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1. (Original, Withdrawn) A dermatological composition for the neutralization of an acid peel comprising an alkaline agent; and about 0.1 to about 10 percent of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent; wherein the pH of the composition is greater than about 7.
 2. (Original, Withdrawn) The composition of claim 1 wherein the pH of the composition is between about 7.1 and about 12.
 3. (Original, Withdrawn) The composition of claim 2 wherein the pH of the composition is between about 8 and about 8.5.
 4. (Original, Withdrawn) The composition of claim 1 comprising from about 1% to about 5% of the at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent.
 5. (Original, Withdrawn) The composition of claim 4 comprising from about 2% to about 3% of the at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent.
 6. (Original, Withdrawn) The composition of claim 5 wherein the at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent is selected from the group consisting of cetareths, ceteths, cetyl alcohol, deceths, dodoxynols, glyceryl palmitate, glyceryl stearate, laneths, myreths, nonoxynols, octoxynols, oleths, PEG-castor oil, poloxamers, poloxamines, polysorbates, ammonium laureth sulfate and sodium laureth sulfate, and mixtures thereof.

7. (Original, Withdrawn) The composition of claim 6 wherein the at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent is octoxynol-9.

8. (Original, Withdrawn) The composition of claim 6 wherein the at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent is polysorbate-20.

9. (Original, Withdrawn) An absorbent pad saturated with the composition of claim 1.

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10. (Currently Amended) A method for the treatment of the skin of a consumer comprising the sequential steps of:

- a) applying to the skin an acid peel of a first dermatological liquid composition, comprising an effective amount of [an] a non-neutralized acid suitable as a skin renewing acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first dermatological composition is between about 2.5 and about 4, and allowing the first dermatological composition to dry on the skin; and
- b) neutralizing said first composition by applying to the skin a second dermatological liquid composition, comprising an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition, and from about 0.1 to about 10% of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second dermatological composition is greater than about 7 to about 12, and allowing the second dermatological composition to dry, wherein the first composition and the second composition are both applied by massaging into the skin and are substantially completely absorbed into the skin and not thereafter manually removed from the skin, wherein makeup or other cosmetic is optionally applied thereafter to the skin.

11. (Original) The method of claim 10 wherein the pH of the second composition is between about 7.1 and about 12.

12. (Original) The method of claim 11 wherein the pH of the second composition is between about 8 and about 8.5.

13. (Original) The method of claim 10 wherein the second composition comprises from about 1% to about 5% of the at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent.

14. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein the second composition comprises from about 2% to about 3% of the at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent.

15. (Original) The method of claim 14 wherein the surfactant/emulsifying agent of the second composition is selected from the group consisting of ceteareths, ceteths, cetyl alcohol, deceths, dodoxynols, glyceryl palmitate, glyceryl stearate, laneths, myreths, nonoxynols, octoxynols, oleths, PEG-castor oil, poloxamers, poloxamines, polysorbates, ammonium laureth sulfate and sodium laureth sulfate, and mixtures thereof.

16. (Currently Amended) A kit for treating the skin of a consumer by enhancement of skin appearance, comprising:

an acid peel of a first dermatological liquid composition comprising an effective amount of [an] a non-neutralized acid suitable as a skin renewing acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first dermatological composition is between about 2.5 and about 4;

a second dermatological liquid composition, which neutralizes said first dermatological composition, comprising an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition and about 0.1 to about 10 percent of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second dermatological composition is greater than about 7 to about 12; and

a means for applying the first and second compositions to massage the first and the second compositions into the skin, the compositions being adapted for sequential application to the skin of the consumer, wherein the first composition and the second composition are of a consistency, which dries on the skin so that the compositions are substantially completely absorbed into the skin and are not manually removed from the skin, and that makeup or other cosmetic is optionally applied thereafter to the skin;

whereby said enhancement is selected from the group consisting of reduction of lines and wrinkles, reduction of pore size, exfoliation of the skin, elimination of acne, toning of the skin, enhancement of skin radiancy, and softer, smoother skin with a more uniform appearance; the first and second compositions, which are dermatological, causing said enhancement.

17. (Original) The kit of claim 16 wherein the pH of the second composition is between about 7.1 and about 12.

18. (Original) The kit of claim 17 wherein the pH of the second composition is between about 8 and about 8.5.

19. (Original) The kit of claim 16 wherein the second composition comprises from about 1% to about 5% of the at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent.

20. (Original) The kit of claim 19 wherein the second composition comprises from about 2% to about 3% of the at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent.

21. (Original) The kit of claim 20 wherein the at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent is selected from the group consisting of cetareths, ceteths, cetyl alcohol, deceths, dodoxynols, glyceryl palmitate, glyceryl stearate, laneths, myreths, nonoxynols, octoxynols, oleths, PEG-castor oil, poloxamers, poloxamines, polysorbates, ammonium laureth sulfate and sodium laureth sulfate, and mixtures thereof.

22. (Original) The kit of claim 21 wherein the at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent of the second composition is octoxynol-9.

23. (Original) The kit of claim 22 wherein the at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent of the second composition is polysorbate-20.

24. (Previously added) The method of claim 10 wherein the acid is selected from the group consisting of alpha hydroxy acid, beta hydroxy acid, and combinations thereof.

25. (Previously added) The method of claim 24 wherein the acid is an alpha hydroxy acid selected from the group consisting of glycolic acid, lactic acid, malic acid, tartaric acid and citric acid.

26. (Previously added) The method of claim 10 wherein the acid is selected from the group consisting of hydroxy carboxylic acid, keto acid and hydroxybenzoic acid.

27. (Previously added, Withdrawn) The method of claim 10 wherein the acid is selected from the group consisting of mandelic acid, azelaic acid, glyceric acid, tartronic acid, gluconic acid, benzylic acid, pyruvic acid, ethyl pyruvate, 2-hydroxybutric acid, salicylic acid, and mixtures thereof.

28. (Previously added, Withdrawn) The method of claim 27 wherein the salicylic acid is present from about 1% to about 3%.

29. (Previously added, Withdrawn) The method of claim 28 wherein the salicylic acid is present in about 2%.

30. (Previously added, Withdrawn) The method of claim 10 wherein the acid is selected from the group consisting of mineral acid, trichloroacetic acid and ascorbic acid.

31. (Previously added) The method of claim 10 wherein the acid has a molecular weight from about 50 to about 250.

32. (Previously added) The method of claim 10 wherein the alkaline agent is selected from the group consisting of sodium bicarbonate and sodium hydroxide.

33. (Previously added) The method of claim 10 wherein the first composition and the second composition are each applied with use of a pad.

34. (Previously added, Withdrawn) The method of claim 10 wherein the first composition and the second composition are each applied with use of a cotton ball.

35. (Previously added, Withdrawn) The method of claim 10 wherein the first composition and the second composition are each applied with the use of a cotton-tipped applicator.

36. (Previously added) The method of claim 10 wherein the effective amount of the acid is from about 0.1 to about 5%.

37. (Currently amended) A method for treatment of the skin of a consumer comprising the sequential steps of:

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a) applying to the skin an acid peel of a first dermatological liquid composition, comprising an effective amount of [an] a non-neutralized acid selected from the group consisting of alpha hydroxy acid, beta hydroxy acid and trichloroacetic acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first dermatological composition is between about 2.5 and about 4, and allowing the first composition to dry on the skin; and

b) neutralizing said first composition by applying to the skin a second dermatological liquid composition, comprising an alkaline agent selected from the group consisting of sodium bicarbonate and sodium hydroxide, and from about 0.1 to about 10% of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second dermatological composition is greater than about 7 to about 12, and allowing the second composition to dry; wherein the first composition and the second composition are both applied by massaging into the skin and are substantially completely absorbed into the skin and not thereafter manually removed from the skin, wherein makeup or other cosmetic is optionally applied thereafter to the skin, the first composition and the second composition each having a viscosity less than about 10 cps.

38. (Previously added) The method of claim 37 wherein the first composition and the second composition are each applied with the use of a pad.

39. (Previously added) The method of claim 37 wherein the effective amount of the acid is from about 0.1 to about 5%.

40. (Currently amended) A method for treatment of the skin of a consumer comprising the sequential steps of:

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a) applying to the skin an acid peel of a first dermatological liquid composition, consisting essentially of an effective amount of [an] a non-neutralized acid suitable as a skin renewing acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first dermatological composition is between about 2.5 and about 4, and allowing the first composition to dry on the skin; and

b) neutralizing said first composition by applying to the skin a second dermatological liquid composition, consisting essentially of an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition, and from about 0.1 to about 10% of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second dermatological composition is greater than about 7 to about 12, and allowing the second composition to dry; wherein the first composition and the second composition are both applied by massaging into the skin and are substantially completely absorbed into the skin and not thereafter manually removed from the skin, wherein makeup or other cosmetic is optionally applied thereafter to the skin, the first composition and the second composition each having a viscosity less than about 10 cps.

41. (Currently amended) A kit for treating the skin of a consumer by enhancement of skin

appearance, comprising:

an acid peel of a first dermatological composition comprising an effective amount of [an] a non-neutralized acid suitable as a skin renewing acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first dermatological composition is between about 2.5 and about 4;

a second dermatological composition, which neutralizes said first dermatological composition, comprising an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition and about 0.1 to about 10 percent of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second dermatological composition is greater than about 7 to about 12; and

single-use pads for massaging the first and second compositions into the skin, the compositions being adapted for sequential application to the skin of the consumer, wherein the first composition and the second composition are of a consistency, which dries on the skin so that the compositions are substantially completely absorbed into the skin and are not manually removed from the skin after application to the skin by use of a single-use pad, and that makeup or other cosmetic is optionally applied thereafter to the skin;

whereby said enhancement is selected from the group consisting of reduction of lines and wrinkles, reduction of pore size, exfoliation of the skin, elimination of acne, toning of the skin, enhancement of skin radiancy, and softer, smoother skin with a more uniform appearance; the first and second compositions, which are dermatological, causing said enhancement, the first composition and the second composition each having a viscosity less than about 10 cps.

42. (Previously added) The kit of claim 41 wherein the effective amount of the acid is from about 0.1 to about 5%.

43. (Previously added) The method of claim 10 wherein the acid is a hydrophilic acid.

44. (Currently amended) A method for treatment of the skin of a consumer consisting essentially of the sequential steps of:

a) applying to the skin an acid peel of a first dermatological composition, comprising an effective amount of [an] a non-neutralized acid suitable as a skin renewing acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first dermatological composition is between about 2.5 and about 4, and allowing the first dermatological composition to dry on the skin; and

b) neutralizing said first composition by applying to the skin a second dermatological composition, comprising an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition, and from about 0.1 to about 10% of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second dermatological composition is greater than about 7 to about 12, and allowing the second dermatological composition to dry; wherein the first composition and the second composition are both applied with a saturated pad by massaging into the skin and are substantially completely absorbed into the skin and are not thereafter manually removed from the skin, wherein the first composition and the second composition are each applied with a pad, and makeup or other cosmetic is optionally applied thereafter to the skin, the first composition and the second composition each having a viscosity less than about 10 cps.

45. (Currently amended) A method for the treatment of the skin of a consumer comprising the sequential steps of:

a) applying to the skin an acid peel of a first dermatological composition, comprising an effective amount of a non-neutralized skin renewing acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the skin renewing acid is selected from the group consisting of hydroxy carboxylic acids, keto acids, hydroxybenzoic acids, and combinations thereof, and the pH of the first

dermatological composition is between about 2.5 and about 4, and allowing the first dermatological composition to dry on the skin; and

b) neutralizing said first composition by applying to the skin a second dermatological composition, comprising an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition and from about 0.1 to about 10% of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the alkaline agent is sodium bicarbonate or sodium hydroxide, and the pH of the second composition is greater than about 7 to about 12, and allowing the second dermatological composition to dry, wherein the first composition and the second composition are both applied by massaging into the skin and are substantially completely absorbed into the skin and not thereafter manually removed from the skin, wherein makeup or other cosmetic is optionally applied thereafter to the skin, the first composition and the second composition each having a viscosity less than about 10 cps.

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46. (Currently amended) A kit for treating the skin of a consumer by enhancement of skin appearance, comprising:

an acid peel of a first dermatological composition comprising an effective amount of a non-neutralized skin renewing acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the skin renewing acid is selected from the group consisting of hydroxy carboxylic acids, keto acids, hydroxybenzoic acids, and combinations thereof, and the pH of the first dermatological composition is between about 2.5 and about 4; and

a second dermatological composition, which neutralizes said first dermatological composition, comprising an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition and from about 0.1 to about 10% of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the alkaline agent is sodium bicarbonate or sodium hydroxide, and the pH of the second dermatological composition is greater than about 7 to about 12; and

a means for applying the first and second compositions to massage the first and the second compositions into the skin, the compositions being adapted for sequential application to the skin of the consumer, wherein the first composition and the second composition are of a consistency, which dries on the skin so that the compositions are substantially completely absorbed into the skin and are not manually removed from the skin, and that makeup or other cosmetic is optionally applied thereafter to the skin;

whereby said enhancement is selected from the group consisting of reduction of lines and wrinkles, reduction of pore size, exfoliation of the skin, elimination of acne, toning of the skin, enhancement of skin radiancy, and softer, smoother skin with a more uniform appearance; the first and second compositions, which are dermatological, causing said enhancement, the first composition and the second composition each having a viscosity less than about 10 cps.

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47. (Previously added) The method of claim 10 wherein the first dermatological composition and the second dermatological composition are applied to a face.

48. (Previously added) The method of claim 37 wherein the first dermatological composition and the second dermatological composition are applied to the face.

49. (Previously added) The method of claim 40 wherein the first dermatological composition and the second dermatological composition are applied to a face.

50. (Previously added) The method of claim 44 wherein the first dermatological composition and the second dermatological composition are applied to a face.

51. (Previously added) The kit of claim 16 wherein the first dermatological composition

and the second dermatological composition are facial compositions.

52. (Previously added) The kit of claim 41 wherein the first dermatological composition and the second dermatological composition are facial compositions.

53. (Previously added) The kit of claim 46 wherein the first dermatological composition and the second dermatological composition are facial compositions.

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62. (New) The method of claim 10 wherein the first composition has a viscosity of about

5 cps and the second composition has a viscosity of about 4 cps.

63. (New) The kit of claim 16 wherein the first composition has a viscosity of about 5 cps and the second composition has a viscosity of about 4 cps.

64. (New) The method of claim 37 wherein the first composition has a viscosity of about 5 cps and the second composition has a viscosity of about 4 cps.

65. (New) The method of claim 40 wherein the first composition has a viscosity of about 5 cps and the second composition has a viscosity of about 4 cps.

66. (New) The kit of claim 41 wherein the first composition has a viscosity of about 5 cps and the second composition has a viscosity of about 4 cps.

67. (New) The method of claim 44 wherein the first composition has a viscosity of about 5 cps and the second composition has a viscosity of about 4 cps.

68. (New) The method of claim 45 wherein the first composition has a viscosity of about 5 cps and the second composition has a viscosity of about 4 cps.

69. (New) The kit of claim 46 wherein the first composition has a viscosity of about 5 cps and the second composition has a viscosity of about 4 cps.

70. (New) The method of claim 62 wherein the first composition dries on the skin for about 3 minutes.

71. (New) The method of claim 64 wherein the first composition dries on the skin for about 3 minutes.

72. (New) The method of claim 65 wherein the first composition dries on the skin for about 3 minutes.

73. (New) The method of claim 67 wherein the first composition dries on the skin for about 3 minutes.

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74. (New) The method of claim 68 wherein the first composition dries on the skin for about 3 minutes.

75. (New) The method of claim 10 wherein the first dermatological composition

comprises:

ingredient

weight percent

from to
about about

chelating agent	0.01%	0.3%
witch hazel distillate	0.01%	20.0%
surfactant/emulsifying agent	0.01%	25.0%
salicylic acid	0.1%	5.0%
lactic acid	0.1%	20.0%
glycolic acid	0.1%	20.0%
ammonia, dissolved	0.0%	35.0%
preservative	0.01%	2.0%
acetone	0.0%	10.0%
alcohol	1.0%	50.0%
purified water	Balance to 100%	

and the second dermatological composition comprises:

<u>ingredient</u>	<u>weight percent</u>	
	from about	to about
sodium bicarbonate	0.1%	15.0%
silicone	0.0%	50.0%
green tea extract	0.0%	75.0%
phospholipids	0.0%	10.0%
vitamin E	0.0%	10.0%
vitamin A	0.0%	10.0%
ascorbyl palmitate	0.0%	10.0%
preservative	0.0%	6.0%
chelating agent	0.0%	2.0%
surfactant/emulsifying agent	0.1%	10.0%
water	Balance to 100%.	

76. (New) The method of claim 75 wherein the second dermatological composition comprises:

<u>ingredient</u>	<u>weight percent (about)</u>
sodium bicarbonate	3.0%
dimethicone copolyol	0.75%
green tea extract	0.2%
phospholipids	0.5%
vitamin E	0.5%
vitamin A	0.5%
ascorbyl palmitate	0.5%
phenoxyethanol	0.01%
methylparaben	0.01%
diazolidinyl urea	0.01%
tetrasodium EDTA	0.01%
octoxynol-9	2.0%
water	Balance to 100%.

77. (New) The method of claim 76 wherein the first dermatological composition comprises:

<u>ingredient</u>	<u>weight percent (about)</u>
Disodium EDTA	0.1%
Sodium Benzoate	0.2%
Witch Hazel Distillate	2.5%
Polysorbate-20	1.0%
Salicylic Acid	2.0%
Lactic Acid	2.0%
Glycolic Acid	15.0%
Ammonia, dissolved	6.0%
Imidazolidinyl Urea	0.2%

Acetone	5.0%
Ethanol	5.0%
Purified Water	Balance to 100%.

78. (New) The method of claim 76 wherein the first dermatological composition comprises:

<u>ingredient</u>	<u>weight percent (about)</u>
Disodium EDTA	0.1%
Sodium Benzoate	0.2%
Witch Hazel Distillate	2.5%
Polysorbate-20	1.0%
Salicylic Acid	2.0%
Lactic Acid	2.0%
Glycolic Acid	15.0%
Resorcinol	2.0%
Ammonia, dissolved	6.0%
Imidazolidinyl Urea	0.2%
Isopropanol	5.0%
Purified Water	Balance to 100%.

79. (New) The kit of claim 16 wherein the first dermatological composition comprises:

<u>ingredient</u>	<u>weight percent</u>	
	from	to
	about	about
chelating agent	0.01%	0.3%
witch hazel distillate	0.01%	20.0%
surfactant/emulsifying agent	0.01%	25.0%
salicylic acid	0.1%	5.0%
lactic acid	0.1%	20.0%
glycolic acid	0.1%	20.0%
ammonia, dissolved	0.0%	35.0%
preservative	0.01%	2.0%
acetone	0.0%	10.0%
alcohol	1.0%	50.0%
purified water	Balance to 100%	

and the second dermatological composition comprises:

<u>ingredient</u>	<u>weight percent</u>	
	from	to
	about	about
sodium bicarbonate	0.1%	15.0%

silicone	0.0%	50.0%
green tea extract	0.0%	75.0%
phospholipids	0.0%	10.0%
vitamin E	0.0%	10.0%
vitamin A	0.0%	10.0%
ascorbyl palmitate	0.0%	10.0%
preservative	0.0%	6.0%
chelating agent	0.0%	2.0%
surfactant/emulsifying agent	0.1%	10.0%
water	Balance to 100%.	

80. (New) The kit of claim 79 wherein the second dermatological composition comprises:

ingredient weight percent (about)

sodium bicarbonate	3.0%
dimethicone copolyol	0.75%
green tea extract	0.2%
phospholipids	0.5%
vitamin E	0.5%
vitamin A	0.5%
ascorbyl palmitate	0.5%
phenoxyethanol	0.01%
methylparaben	0.01%
diazolidinyl urea	0.01%
tetrasodium EDTA	0.01%
octoxynol-9	2.0%
water	Balance to 100%.

81. (New) The kit of claim 80 wherein the first dermatological composition comprises:

ingredient weight percent (about)

Disodium EDTA	0.1%
Sodium Benzoate	0.2%
Witch Hazel Distillate	2.5%
Polysorbate-20	1.0%
Salicylic Acid	2.0%
Lactic Acid	2.0%
Glycolic Acid	15.0%
Ammonia, dissolved	6.0%
Imidazolidinyl Urea	0.2%
Acetone	5.0%
Ethanol	5.0%
Purified Water	Balance to 100%.

82. (New) The kit of claim 80 wherein the first dermatological composition comprises:

<u>ingredient</u>	<u>weight percent (about)</u>
Disodium EDTA	0.1%
Sodium Benzoate	0.2%
Witch Hazel Distillate	2.5%
Polysorbate-20	1.0%
Salicylic Acid	2.0%
Lactic Acid	2.0%
Glycolic Acid	15.0%
Resorcinol	2.0%
Ammonia, dissolved	6.0%
Imidazolidinyl Urea	0.2%
Isopropanol	5.0%
Purified Water	Balance to 100%.

83. (New) The method of claim 10, wherein the first composition and the second composition each has a viscosity less than about 10 cps.

84. (New) The kit of claim 16, wherein the first composition and the second composition each have a viscosity less than about 10 cps.